

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

DAVID Q. WEBB,

Plaintiff,

v.

NAPHCARE, INC.,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 3:21-cv-05761-TL

ORDER REFERRING CASE
TO PRO BONO PANEL
FOR LIMITED PURPOSE

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff David Q. Webb's second motion to appoint counsel (Dkt. No. 58). For the reasons stated in the Court's prior order of referral to the Pro Bono Panel (Dkt. No. 48), the Court will refer Plaintiff's case to the Pro Bono Panel Screening Committee for further review and possible appointment of *pro bono* counsel for the limited purpose of representing Plaintiff on the Motion to Dismiss only (Dkt. No. 33).

Accordingly, the Court ORDERS as follows:

(1) Under Section 3(c) of the district's pro bono plan, the Court DIRECTS the Clerk of

Court to forward to the Screening Committee copies of the pleadings and documents

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- 1 filed to date including the following: Plaintiff's *in forma pauperis* application (Dkt.
2 No. 1), the order granting *in forma pauperis* status (Dkt. No. 9), the operative
3 complaint (Dkt. No. 20), the briefing on and response to Defendant's Motion to
4 Dismiss (Dkt. Nos. 33–34, 37–38, 45, 59–61), Plaintiff's Second Motion to Appoint
5 Counsel (Dkt. No. 58), and the instant Order. See General Order No. 16-20, § 3(c).
- 6 (2) In light of the Court's referral of this case to the Pro Bono Panel Screening
7 Committee, this matter—including the pending Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. No. 33), and
8 the Motion for Sanctions (Dkt. No. 39)—will be STAYED pending consideration by
9 the Screening Committee.
- 10 (3) The Screening Committee is DIRECTED to further review the case and recommend to
11 the Court whether appointment of *pro bono* counsel is warranted per General Order
12 No. 16-20 by no later than **June 16, 2023**.
- 13 (4) The Clerk is DIRECTED to re-note Plaintiff's Second Motion to Appoint Counsel (Dkt.
14 No. 58) for June 16, 2023, pending the Screening Committee's recommendation.
- 15 (5) Plaintiff is REMINDED that the Motion to Dismiss remains pending and that referral to
16 the Screening Committee does not guarantee that he will be provided *pro bono*
17 counsel.

18 Dated this 18th day of May 2023.

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21 Tana Lin
22 United States District Judge
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